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at Kirchmoeser and Ilsenburg

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1. VEB Walzwerk Willy Becker, Kirchmoeser, did not shut down for the period from 3 to 9 July 1955 as planned.<sup>1</sup> Because of the lack of material, the enterprise was completely out of operation from 4 to 16 July 1955. From 9 July on, however, plant personnel were kept busy straightening up and cleaning the plant.
2. VEB Walzwerk Ilsenburg<sup>2</sup> was due to resume production on 28 July 1955 after having been closed down since 2 July. The enterprise was forced to halt production on 2 July when all the main cables in the plant burned out.

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2. Comments: The full name of this plant is VEB Kupfer- und Blechwalzwerk Michael Niederkirchner, Ilsenburg/Harz.

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